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Telcon
Secretary Kissinger
Bill Hyland
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K: Hello.

H: Hello.

K: Yes, Bill.

H: Art Hartman called me about 15 minutes ago saying that he had an inquiry from Agriculture wanting to confirm a rumor they had that the Soviets had asked us and made a specific offer on grain and they had also apparently called Jules Katz.

K: Absolutely not.

H: And I told them I didn't know anything about it and that they should call you and tell you about the rumor. He said well why didn't I call. So I just wanted you to know this.

K: Okay.

H: Now, one other thing -- I just wanted to pass on to you that we are getting [redacted] quite a bit of stuff out of Angola and Zaire, giving the details on supplies for Roberto. Uh, this is available to almost anybody in town who gets the stuff. B1

K: Can we put a hold on it?

H: I think if we put a hold on it we will be making a mistake.

K: Then let it get out.

H: Let it just kind of drift around on this low level.

K: Are we being blamed for it?

H: Well you can't . . . The facts themselves are not that clear but it doesn't take much figuring out. Also, it looks like [redacted] are involved. B1
And the two may be confused in the reporting.

K: You mean [redacted] are giving some stuff? B1

H: Well that's what the messages indicate -- they are giving money.

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K: Well, good.

H: Yeah. One final thing. Fred Ikle is pestering me to get some kind of readout.

K: Well give him a Goddamned readout.

H: On SALT.

K: There isn't a hell of a lot.

H: Should I list the issues that are going to be passed to Geneva?

K: Yes.

H: Okay.

K: Right. Thank you, Bill.

H: Bye.

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